

REMARKS

Claims 8-24 remain in the present application. Claims 1-7 have been cancelled. Applicant respectfully requests further examination and reconsideration of the rejections based on the above claim amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Paragraph 10 of the above referenced Office Action states that Claims 8-24 are allowable over the cited art of record. Accordingly, Applicants have herein amended Claims 8-24 to obviate cited 35 USC Section 112 objections and have cancelled Claims 1-7 without prejudice.

Drawing Amendments

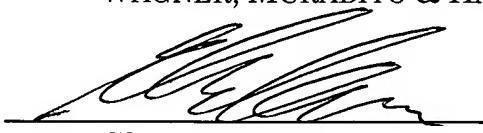
Applicants have submitted drawing amendments for Figure 3 and Figure 7.

CONCLUSION

The Examiner is urged to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application. Please charge any additional fees or apply any credits to our PTO deposit account number: 23-0085.

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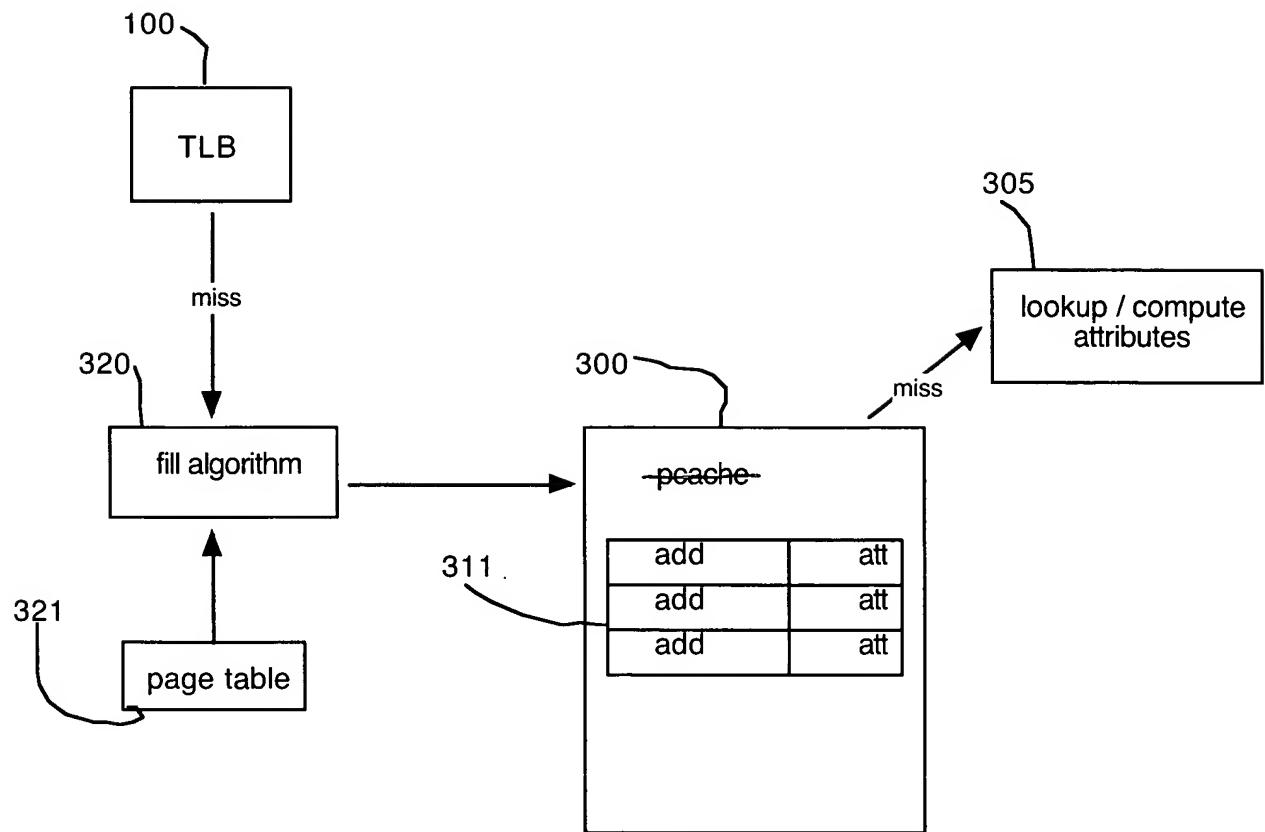


FIG. 3

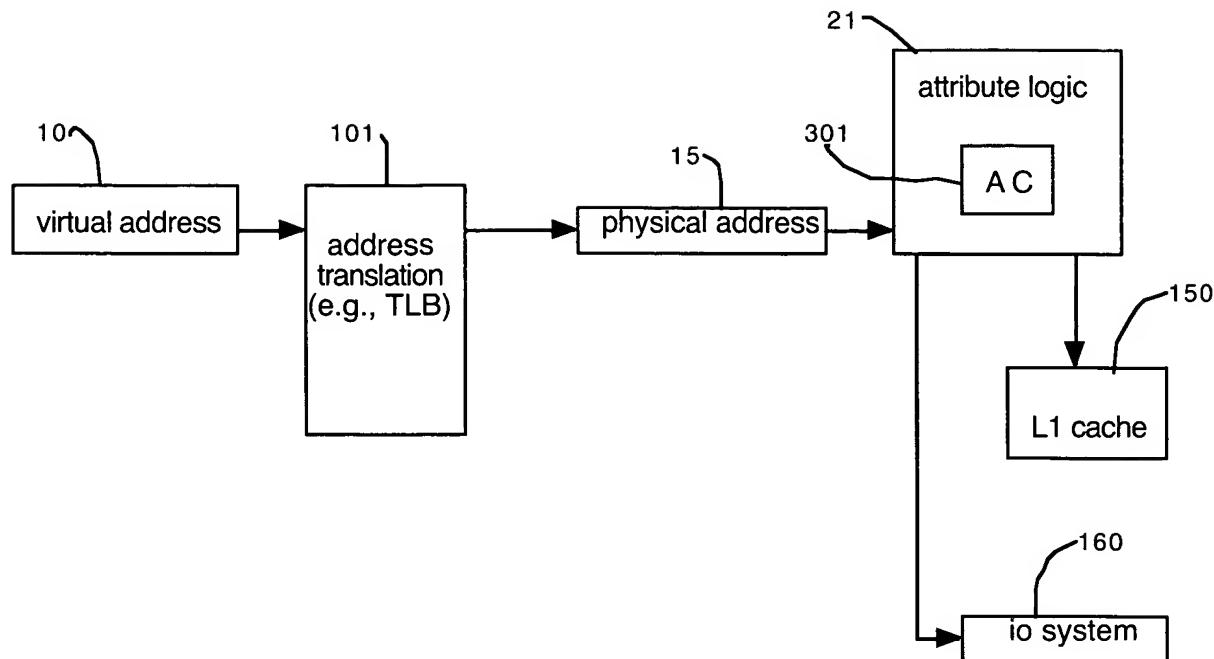


FIG. 6

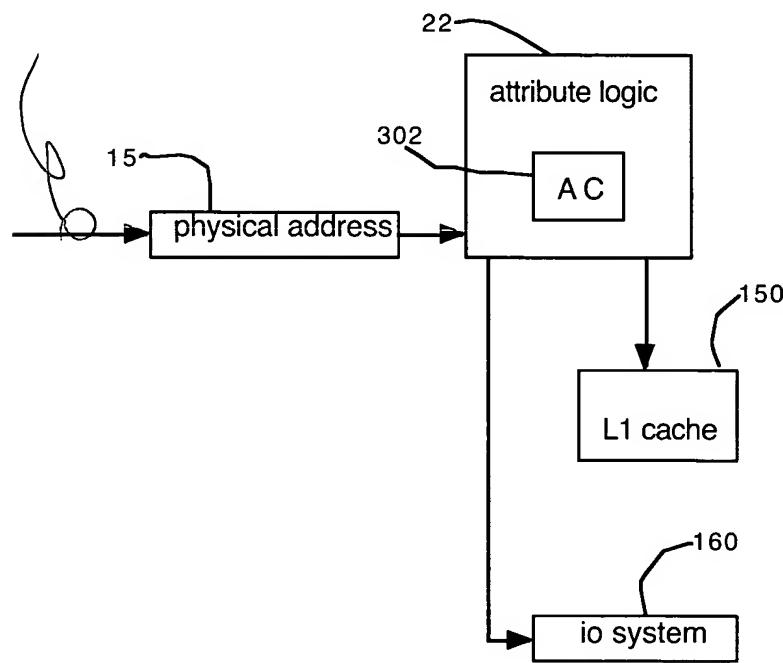


FIG. 7